

Radium Found In Building 22 Doses Students

Radio Hams Exposed To Dangerous Element For Nearly Two Weeks

Three residents of the Building 22 dormitories were dangerously exposed to a powerful dose of capsuled radium for a period of over ten days it was learned last Monday. Fitz Grice, '50, Robert Cesari, '50, and Daniel Farnsworth, '50, were given blood counts at Homburg infirmary to make sure they had suffered no ill effects from the dose, incurred while working in one of

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Tech's Orchestra Presents Concert On February 28

Technology's Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Klaus Liepmann will present its annual winter concert on February 28. The concert is scheduled to begin at 8:30 p.m. at the auditorium of Rindge Tech High School.

This year the program will include Beethoven's First Symphony, the First Movement of Shubert's Seventh Symphony, Bach's Double Violin Concerto, and the Outdoor Overture by Aavon Copland.

The admission price for this concert by the Symphony Orchestra is \$1.20 and the tickets are now on sale in Building 10 and at the T.C.A. office in Walker Memorial.

Faculty Votes Overwhelmingly To Keep Compulsory Athletics For Remainder Of This Year

Walker Invaded By 400 Women

"Spring Fancy" Dance Features Techtonians

400 women from nine women's colleges in the Boston area will be present at the Dormitory Dance Committee's "Spring Fancy" on Saturday, February 28. The list of schools includes Wellesley, Bradford, Lasell, Pine Manor, Boston University, Radcliffe, Emerson, Sargent, and Simmons.

Only 400 tickets are to be sold to Techmen on a first-come-first-served basis, to insure a balance between men and women. These tickets are available in the lobby of Building 10 and the T.C.A. office, and from Dance Committee members. The price is \$1.20 per person.

Only Acquaintance Dance

The Techtonians will play at the dance, which will be the only acquaintance dance of the term. Committee Chairman Ralph E. Segel, '48, stated that this would be an excellent time for men to meet possible dates for the coming full social calendar.

The entire Walker Memorial building has been reserved for the dance. An arrangement has been worked out so that it is possible to get from the floor to Pritchett Lounge without going out-of-doors. The balconies will be open, but due to structural weakening dancing will not be permitted on any balconies in Walker, either for this or any succeeding dances.

Finals For Title Of Messiest Prof End Next Week

Latest results in Voo Dee's Messiest Office Contest show Professors Irving H. Cowdrey, Avery A. Ashdown, and George de Santillana in the lead as building winners were announced this week. Finals will be held next week when the grand winner will be chosen by two undisclosed outside judges.

Buildings vary in degree of general cleanliness so that the winner in one building may not even qualify in another. In several cases it was reported that a professor must win because the other offices were so far below par—that is, cleanliness ran rampant.

Despite the lack of material in some sections a few professors managed to pile up an amazing assortment. In Building 1 Professor Cowdrey won hands down while Professor Ashdown had the fortune to be reported twice, once by the inquirer assigned to Building 4 and once by a stray from Building 8. Favorite of Building 2 for the prize is Professor Dmitri Zeldin.

Building 24, which holds, in a manner of speaking, the messiest department in the Institute, the English, also put forth a leading contender for the grand prize, Professor de Santillana.

Leading contributors to good will were Professors Ashdown and Hugo Stockmayer. Professor Ashdown, with more to show, managed to extricate himself from the clutter and give a personally conducted tour of his wonderland, while Professor Stockmayer volunteered hidden material such as old, never washed overalls.

CLUB '50 MAESTRO



Gene Dennis, whose orchestra will provide music for dancing at the sophomore party March 12.

Soph Ticket Sales For Club '50 Start Thursday, Feb. 26

WEEL's Sherm Feller To M.C. Floor Show; Gene Dennis To Play

Ticket sales for "Club '50," the Sophomore night club, to open at the Hotel Bradford on March 12, will commence next Thursday, February 26. The cover charge at "Club '50" will be \$3.75 per couple. Tickets for Sophomores will be on sale on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in the lobby of Building 10, while general sales will begin on Monday, March 1.

Floor Show Planned

The grand ballroom of the Hotel Bradford will be converted for the night into the "Club '50," which will provide dancing and feature a floor show, led by Sherman Feller of the radio program Club Midnight.

Appearing nightly on station WEEL from midnight to 1 a.m., Feller's program features record-spinning, humor, and interviews with personalities such as Guy Lombardo, Jean Sablon, and Hazel Scott. Noted for his imitations of local personalities, Feller will present a floor show combining comedy and talent.

Music will be provided by Gene Dennis and his Orchestra, who have been held over for four consecutive

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Committee Favors Students Seeing Marked Finals

The Student-Faculty Committee has endorsed a policy permitting students to see their marked final examinations. The endorsement was made at the monthly meeting of the committee held last Monday.

Discussion of the matter revealed that no faculty rule against permitting students to see their exams exists. It was felt that students should be permitted to check the marking of their papers. The committee also endorsed a policy for all departments to publish solutions of the problems given on final examinations.

The committee, which discusses student-faculty relations, consists of nine professors headed by Professor John T. Rule, and eighteen students headed by Benjamin J. Brettler, '48.

Freshman Proposal To Warrant Study For Change In Year

By FRANK HEART, '51

In a meeting held Wednesday, February 18, the faculty committee turned down by a vote of 101 to 9 the freshman petition to discontinue the athletic program. For the present and until more forceful arguments can be presented the current A1 and A2 courses will be continued.

Professor Rule, faculty advisor to the Student Faculty Committee, very ably presented the freshman arguments to the committee. It was stated by members of the committee that the freshman case was well prepared and presented but that the arguments were outweighed by other considerations.

No Time To Scrap Program

In essence the faculty felt that this was no time to scrap the new program, especially since new equipment and instructors will be available soon to greatly facilitate the present course.

According to Dean Everett M. Baker the freshman petition will now be presented to the Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum for more lengthy study, with view to possible changes in the program next year.

Why Athletics?

In addition to the question of the freshman proposals, a member of the faculty asked the faculty meeting why such a technical school as Technology should require athletics. He was answered by the statement that Technology requires English, and English is not actually "technical," the implication being that both were required because both were considered very important.

In a statement made after the faculty meeting Arthur Wasserman, Secretary of the Freshman Class,

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5:15 Dance Tonight Highlights Weekend

Mansfield Orchestra Plays At Birthday Ball

The 5:15 Club will hold its first big dance of the year tonight at 9:00 p.m. in Morris Hall of Walker Memorial. Tickets are on sale in the lobby of Building 10, or if tickets cannot be purchased there, they will be available at the door of Morris Hall during the dance.

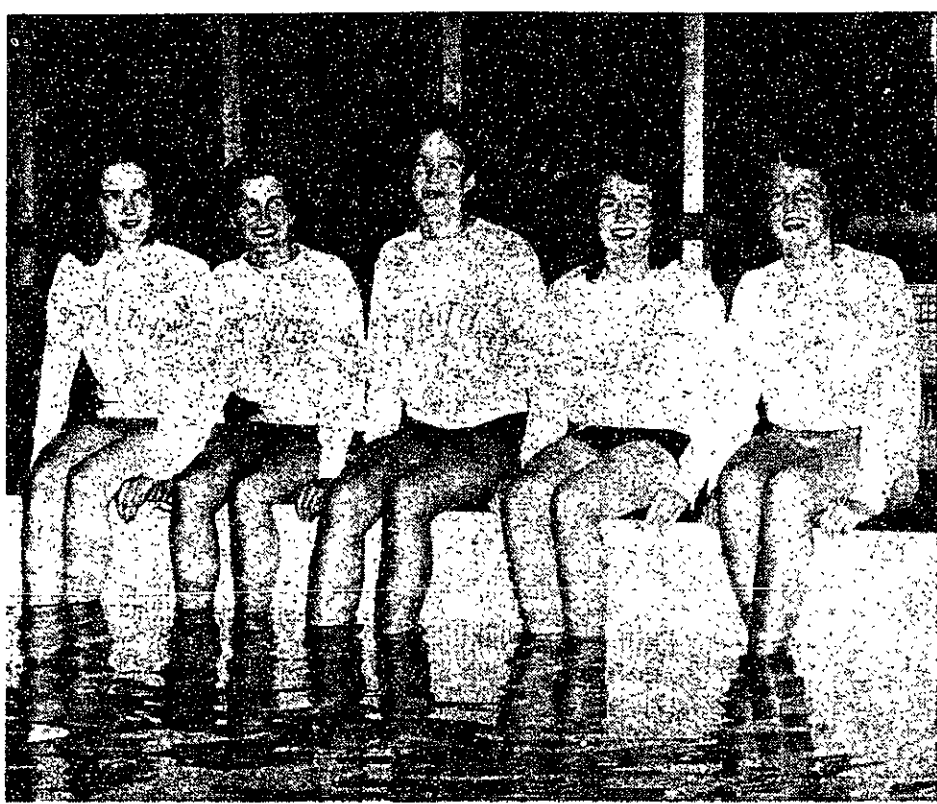
The dance, to be called Washington's Birthday Ball, will follow the University of Massachusetts at Ft. Devens basketball game, also to be held in Walker Memorial. 5:15's advise men coming to the dance to also attend the basketball game and give their dates a double treat.

Music will be furnished for the occasion by Sid Mansfield, his trumpet and his orchestra, who is well known in New England for sweet, danceable music, and has established a name for himself playing in local Boston clubs and for private dances.

According to Manuel B. Gassman, '49, the Birthday Ball and the basketball game will highlight the biggest weekend at the Institute since Techsappoppin', and every loyal man should come to the game to support his team and to the dance for a good time.

Chaperons are Col. and Mrs. H. R. Jackson, and Prof. Leicester F. Hamilton.

MERMAIDS OF SMITH COLLEGE WATER BALLET



Five mermaids from Smith College at Northampton, Mass., will participate in a water ballet at Alumni Pool on February 28. Two performances will be presented, one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

Smith College Life Guard Team To Put On Water Ballet Here

On February 28, the Technology varsity swimming team will play host to the Smith College Life Guard team. The girls will put on two ballet performances for Technology men, one at 4 p.m., and the other at 8 p.m., in the Alumni Pool. Tickets are \$1.00 and \$1.50 respectively.

The "Tango," a luminous "lights out" performance, and other swimming stunts and exhibitions will be featured by the girls, under the direction of Miss Gertrude Goss. At intermission, the Technology swimming team, clad in gay ninety swim suits, will do a burlesque take-off of the girls' acts.

For the past two years, the Smith College team has borrowed the pool for somewhat similar performances. This year, however, the Technology varsity team invited the "life savers" to the pool for their act.

T.C.A. May Sell Tech Cabin To Y

Recently, the TCA was informed by the Cambridge Y that it would like to buy the Tech Cabin. If the YMCA presses this, there is little the TCA can do but give in, as the Cabin is on Y property.

Due to the ill will the TCA has received, both through groups that cannot be accommodated in the cabin because it is booked solid, and through violation of certain rules and even destruction of property, it has some justification for selling the cabin. Nevertheless, the TCA intends to reinvest the proceeds from the sale if they sell the cabin in another (preferably two more) on their own land.

However, they believe such a cabin should be sponsored by a more related student activity, as the outing club. The difficulty here is that it is presently costing the TCA about \$1.35 for each couple that uses the cabin.

Unlimited Course Choice Is Probable

Program Opens To Aid Frosh Course Selection

In an effort to aid freshmen in the selection of their course, a program designed to present the facts about the various courses has been undertaken. Dean Thomas P. Pitre and Professor John Rule, who is in charge of the program, believe that no course will be limited in enrollment next semester. The only problem facing the student is the selection of his course.

The program will consist of a series of five lectures and various exhibits in Building 7. Nine of the lesser known courses will present the opportunities in their particular field in the lectures. The lectures will be held 4:00 p.m. on Mondays, starting on March 15. In addition all of the departments have made facilities available for the freshmen to come in and talk over their choice of course.

Some time during April the freshmen will be asked to fill out cards indicating their choice of course. This is not a final decision. The purpose of this poll is to give the Institute an idea of the number enrolling in a particular course in order that space and personnel may be allotted.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rules and regulations are obviously needed in the proper administration of certain phases of student activity. However, while the lack of necessary regulations may lead to an undesirable situation, the same result may also be arrived at from an excess of restrictions.

A large number of regulations can only be tolerated when it has been shown that each is a definite and vital importance in the over-all administration of student activities. Too many restrictions can easily stifle all initiative and group spirit. Red tape is quite comparable to a pit of quicksand—initiative and progress are quickly entombed by it.

The Walker Memorial Committee has, over the years, accumulated regulatory powers over a considerable segment of student life. This accumulation of power has also seen the growth of rules and regulations. At the present time the Walker Memorial Committee's "Blue Book," a half-inch thick, 8½" x 11" notebook, contains the sum total of these laws.

The question which arises is not of the relative "goodness" or "badness" of these rules, but rather of their number and complexity. Someone has gone so far as to say that an enterprising graduate of Harvard Law School might set himself up as a specialist in Walker Memorial Committee regulations, and thereby make himself a tidy sum catering to the undergraduate activities.

It would then seem that every effort should be made at the present time to simplify regulations, rather than add to the "Blue Book." Those rules and restrictions which are deemed as necessary should be models of brevity and clarity.

The logical place for a start is with the Points System which is due for further consideration by the Institute Committee. Under the Points System a set number of points is awarded to individuals for all undergraduate activity positions and for participation in sports, with no student allowed to carry more than a predetermined number of points.

As we stated in the Walker Memorial Committee Constitution, "the purpose of the Points System shall be, 1. to encourage participation in activities by affording recognition for endeavor in this line. To this end lists of high point men shall be published in *The Tech* from time to time. 2. to protect activities from having an executive whose other interests and duties demand too much time to allow him to competently hold his office, and 3. to curtail and limit in some measure an individual in the number of responsibilities he may accept in the effort to spread this responsibility, and prevent any one man from being imposed upon in demands on his time which he may not feel free to refuse."

Protection of activities and the limiting and curtailment of responsibilities is of major importance, an enforcement of the regulations in past years has seen several overpointed men relinquish positions. An important argument in favor of a "points system" is that it prevents the "pyramiding" of activity offices by an ambitious student, with each activity in turn receiving less and less attention.

The idea of a "points system" is good, but previous operation has shown the mechanics to be poor. The great obstacle is in the determination of the number of points to be awarded for various positions. One must make a compromise between the importance of an activity and the amount of work required by an executive—obviously the two factors do not always go hand in hand.

The Institute Committee has differentiated between activities by an "A" and "B" classification. A regulation preventing an individual from being the head of two Class A activities would be the most simple solution.

Here is an excellent situation for instituting a change to simple, yet efficient laws.

Latest Voo Doo Shows No Sex, Jan. Issue Comes Out In Feb.

By JACK SEVIER

Voo Doo salesmen finally summoned enough nerve last week, one month late, to darken the lobby of Building 10 with their January issue of that poor excuse for a humor magazine. We heard from one freshman who "had just bought a magazine named Voo Doo or something" that some of the salesmen were restoring to drawing high card for a copy of Voo Doo—a slight variation of the old two-headed nickel trick.

Personally, we'd rather have the quarter. According to a recent poll taken among the literary critics of *The Tech*, it would have been better for all concerned if our local humor magazine had not come out at all. According to Phos, the Voo Doo covers, which are printed in Louisville, Kentucky, were tied up in the recent truck strike, which paralyzed the nation and, incidentally, prevented the peddling of Voo Doo (an act of Providence, we call it).

The trucks carrying the Voo Doo covers left Kentucky in January intending to bring their crude cargo to Cambridge, but when the drivers (former rumrunners) found out what the trucks contained, they turned around and were seen speeding through Tennessee en route to the deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

The trucks were intercepted in Mississippi, and there the drivers were brought to justice, but after looking through a copy of their magazine (found in an ashcan), we think more justice would have been done, at least to society, if the drivers had been able to finish their mission.

Thumbing through the recent issue of our local humor magazine, however, first thing we notice is Phos' corner where sex usually rears its ugly head. Much to our surprise, there was no sex, no beer sloshing, no directory of bars where

minors can get served; in fact, we found the whole thing pretty dull reading.

The next stop was an answer to a letter to the Editor. Here we found the following: "Voo Doo has been getting cleaner, and maybe now we're too clean. . . . No Doubt, Voo Doo's former accent on sex and liquor did help the market for love and confession magazines."

Greatly surprised at this little piece of conceit, we looked through the rest of the magazine to see if our suspicions about this "liquor and sex" business were well founded. Now, this will not be a surprise to anyone, but careful examination has shown that Voo Doo is disgustingly clean. Is this situation to continue?

Radium

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the penthouses on top of Building 22.

On January 19, the men had discovered the small shack atop the main building and directly over their room while trying to repair a leak in the roof. They thought the apparently unused house would make an excellent place to put their radio equipment, and received permission from Mr. Watson, manager of the building, to do so. On entering the penthouse, they discovered several pieces of oddly made equipment, including two lead and brass cylinders, one heavily protected with lead bricks. They assumed that the equipment had been deserted by the former occupants of the shack, and proceeded to dismantle it and store it on a shelf.

Radium Handled by Students

For ten days they worked on the installation of their radio equipment, and had contacted England and France before they received a rude shock in the form of a technician from Building 20. He informed them that the building, being away from everything, was being used as a storehouse for radium, and that \$2,000 worth of the valuable element had been stored in pellets within the cylinders. The men were particularly worried when they discovered that they had been handling the pellets themselves, and that several friends had done the same.

Bloodcounts performed by Homberg on the men who had been in the shack most, however, proved normal, and Building 20 technicians calculated that the maximum dose (Continued on Page 4)

Food Is Where You Find It

By WILLIAM VICINUS

Drawing our inspiration from a sadly neglected appetite, your reporter set out to discover previously untried culinary resorts. On a hot tip from the corner bookie at the State House and with mouth watering I wandered into Joe Venuti's Restaurant at 12 Carver Street, near the Boylston Street subway.

Chefs Charles Di Piero and Joseph Du Bois do well by the inner man in preparing numerous tasty dishes. The accent is on Italian food and Venuti's proves to be some of the best. Try the Marsalla with white of egg beaten up in it to whet your appetite. The combination turns out to be remarkably smooth. From personal taste I stamp with approval the Clams Napolitan for the appetizer.

As for the pocketbook, you can do quite well at Venuti's. Don't expect to walk out without digging into the wallet, but a good meal can be obtained for prices ranging from about \$2.50. You can't go wrong though, so next time you feel like treating yourself to some really good food or impressing the little woman try Venuti's.

Club '50

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summers at the Berkshire Country Club in New York. Accenting smooth music varied with a combination of South American tempos, Dennis and his orchestra have provided music for affairs at Dartmouth, Harvard, Boston University, and Boston College.

Reservations

Reservations for tables at "Club '50" may be made with the purchase of tickets, and will be given on a "first come, first served" basis. Reservations for a table for six couples may be made by any individual purchasing a ticket by presenting a special form listing the members of his party.

The atmosphere of "Club '50" will be semi-formal. Either tuxedos or dark business suits are suitable for the men, while the girls will be formal.

Reviews & Previews

By David W. Marcus

SHERM FELLER

Having listened to WEET's Club Midnight and its effervescent spinner of discs, Maestro Sherman Feller, we decided to find out what manner of man could be responsible for keeping so many people up way beyond their regular turn-in time.

Now that we have seen him, it's our contention that he's worth spending the time to see. The class of '50 seems to have a good master of ceremonies for their Sophomore party in Mr. Feller. It won't be simply as a master of ceremonies that Feller will make his appearance; this reporter's opinion is that he will be a hit as a comedian while he carries out his more routine job of running the entertainment lined up for the surveillance of the revealing sophomores.

Feller's approach to his regular job is slightly different from the orthodox disc jockey. On Club Midnight one is more apt to hear Feller burlesquing selections from Shakespeare or interviewing movie and radio celebrities than a frantic recording of some jazz classic. Less music and more fun seems to be his motto. This could be the season for his popularity, and is probably also the reason for the criticism one is apt to hear of his program. The people who want all music at that hour have a legitimate complaint, but they are definitely in the minority.

When we talked to Feller, it quickly dawned on us why he has such a large number of fans. The man is a natural comedian. In telling us the story of his somewhat hectic life, he couldn't resist joking about everything, even the more serious parts of his career. In the latter category is the time he went to work for \$14.85 a week. Since it was a six- and not a seven-day week, Feller claims it wasn't too bad! His first job with WEET was from 12:00 to 9:00 . . . in the morning. He had from 5:00 to 6:00 "to do with what I wanted, and what did I do?—nuttin'."

During the war Sherman wrote two war Bond shows that toured the country. He did the music and lyrics while his friend Gene Dennis wrote the book. However, he did not let it go to his head and remained a Pfc. He claims the army declared a moratorium on promotions while he was in the service.

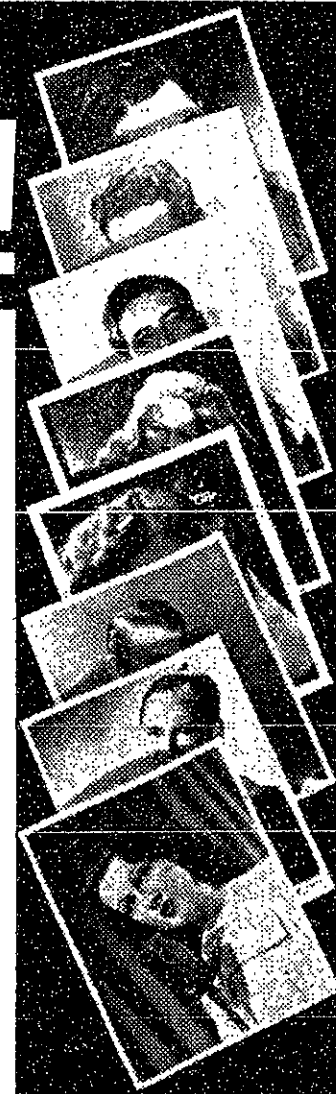
A great part of his success is due to his ability to get top-notch personalities on his program. Jean Sablon, Guy Lombardo, The Three Suns, Art Mooney, Hazel Scott, and Billy Gilbert are some of the headliners that have appeared on Club Midnight.

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BEAVER BARKS

By KARL GOLDBERG

Between Tom Hudson, Publicity Manager of the Athletic Association, and Ken Brock, Chairman of the M.I.T. Publicity Committee, there has been a lot of energy wasted on sports publicity this past year. And when we speak of "publicity" 90% of the time we mean the newspaper reporting that Tech has singularly lacked. Brock has had the power to contact outside sources of coverage, but he hasn't used it fully; Hudson hasn't had the power and hasn't wanted it. He still doesn't, even though it's become more and more obvious to everyone concerned that only the Athletic Publicity Manager can handle

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Sports Schedule

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20	
Basketball—Varsity vs. Devens at Walker Memorial—8:00	
Swimming—Varsity vs. Tufts at Medford—3:00	
Squash—Varsity vs. Trinity at the Alumni Pool—4:00	
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21	
Track—Varsity vs. Northeastern at Briggs Field—3:00	
Wrestling—Varsity vs. Williams at Williamstown—3:00	
Fencing—Varsity vs. Boston University at B.U.—2:00	
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25	
Basketball—Varsity vs. Northeastern at Walker Memorial—8:00	
Hockey—Varsity vs. Brown at Providence—8:30	

the job of publicizing athletics.

And this status quo of inactivity is going to remain until someday, somebody with the power to do something about it is going to wake up with a brilliant idea.

We have nothing against Hudson's bulletin boards or the P.R.C.'s brochures. But we do think they are slightly worthless when compared with the accomplishments of continual newspaper coverage and features.

Perhaps the day of efficient Tech sports publicity is waiting for a paid Athletic Publicity Director, just as the day of athletic expansion waited for the advent of an Athletic Director.

Until then, we hardly think that it is too much to ask that those who now hold the power to publicize would exercise it.

Squash Team Meets Trinity At Alumni Pool Courts Today

Technology's varsity squash team clashes with the Trinity College racquetmen this afternoon at the Barbour Field house courts. Seven men from each team will compete in the matches, which begin at 4 p.m.

Captain Stew Brauns, playing in the number one position, tops the list of Beaver competitors. Other men who will wield varsity racquets are Crawford MacDonald, Tom Kelly, Gerry Marlio, Henry Warner, and Bob Auty. Jim Armington will probably fill the seventh spot.

The outstanding racquetman of the varsity team is Stew Brauns, who is seeded number one in the Massachusetts Squash Racquets Association "B" class. Brauns has

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Courtmen Roll To 50-43 Win Against Brown

Smooth Ball-Handling Of Engineer Quintet Decides Bruin Fate

Technology's hoopsters, showing class and power, downed a highly touted Brown quintet in Walker Memorial gym last Wednesday night by a 50-43 score. This win brings the Engineers' record to an impressive seven victories against four defeats.

The Beavers had the game on ice after grabbing an early lead and holding it with points to spare. Exhibiting superb ball-handling and a brilliant defense, the Tech quintet managed to gain a 23-12 count at halftime.

Brown Scores First

After a slow start, Brown scored first on a free toss, but thereafter the Engineers were never headed. Tech's Jack Corrie caged two quick field goals with Bob Deutsch converting from the foul line to give the Beavers an early 5-1 lead. Brown knotted the count a few moments later.

A field goal by Bob Deutsch then put M.I.T. momentarily out in front, but once more the Providence men came back to even things up. After a Jim Madden two-pointer was nullified by Smith, of Brown, Tech finally pulled out in front for good.

Tight Defense

The Engineer defense was impenetrable in the first half. Taking control of both backboards and using a man-to-man defense to good advantage, Tech held the Bruins to only four field goals during that period. In the second half the Beavers relented slightly but continued to maintain a seven to ten point lead until the final buzzer.

M.I.T.				BROWN			
G	F	P		G	F	P	
Corrie, rf	5	0	10	Cooney, rf	1	2	4
Rorschach, rf	1	2	4	Paterno, lg	1	1	3
Madden, lf	2	2	6	Smith, c	5	1	11
Norton, c	3	3	9	Corner, rg	5	2	12
Brown, c	1	0	2	Provost, lg	5	3	13
Deutsch, rg	4	2	10				
Watson, lg	3	3	9				
Totals	19	12	50	Totals	17	9	43

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Foreign Students Seek Pen Pals in America

Letters—5,000 of them—are the cause of the present dilemma of the Technology chapter of National Student Association. Another 50,000 letters are in the nation's capital awaiting a request for them by the local NSA.

The letters are from Germans and Austrians, ages six to 80, who are anxious to correspond with students in American colleges and universities. The American, British, French, and Russian zones of occupation are represented in the mail recently received by the NSA.

Letters of General Interest

By means of American-controlled newspapers in Germany as well as by the short-wave program, "Voice of America," the American Military Government and the State Department issued publicity in Germany concerning the exchange of letters.

A perusal of the letters reveals that interests of the senders include such subjects as technical matter, sports, religion, nursing, and stenography, to mention only a few. It was also noticed that a slight majority of the letters were written in English and the remainder in German. Many of the senders indicated a desire to correspond in such languages as Spanish and French.

Contact NSA

All students or Institute employees who are interested in corresponding should come to the NSA office in the basement of Walker Memorial in order to make a personal choice of correspondent. Office hours are 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays and 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on other weekdays.

Radium

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that could have been received by the group was no more than a normal clinical dose. The radium was being used to help calibrate luminous instrument dials in experiments carried out by a group under the Division of Industrial Cooperation working in connection with Professor J. R. Zacharias. The technicians using the element were in the habit of coming over the roofs from Building 20 often to use it. The heavy snow had kept them from doing this until Monday when they discovered the radio equipment.

No Warnings

According to Farnsworth, there were no signs of any sort warning of dangerous radio activity, and the door to the shack was unlocked. The room had an unused aspect, and from the nature of its construction and the disconnected electrical equipment had probably been used for radar research. The radium itself was in small platinum pellets about an inch long and 1/16 inch thick. When the technicians started looking for the radium, they discovered one of the pellets missing, but found it under a table after a hurried search with a Geiger counter.

Freshman Athletics

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felt that "The Freshman protest did accomplish something for the school by causing the faculty to reconsider the advisability of continuing the compulsory athletic program, which the majority of the freshman class felt was not a good thing. It is unfortunate," he said, "that the class of 1951 will have to remain guinea pigs in this experiment."

Geiger Comments

Ivan J. Geiger, Director of Athletics, in commenting on the decision declared that the situation is not changed but merely clarified. There is a certain amount of general educational opportunity offered in the athletic program that is not offered elsewhere at the Institute. Certainly there will be a few that will not be reached by the program but the majority despite the seeming compulsion of the athletics will derive real benefit from it in the way of increased athletic interest and ability.

Track At Briggs Field Saturday

Northeastern and Tech will clash on the Briggs Field boards this Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. for the first dual meet of the indoor track season.

A close contest is expected by Coach Oscar Hedlund, while Bob Bowie, field event mentor, seems to think that Tech is a slight favorite. Little is known about the relative strength of the two teams, however, since — aside from relays — the squads have seen no competition in the winter schedule as yet.

Carter in Hurdles

In the 45-yard high hurdles a duel is expected between McFarland, of Northeastern, and Carter, of Tech, with D'Entremont, of the Huskies, and Beaver Roy Roth rounding off the field. Potential starters in the 50-yard dash are McFarland and McDonald, of N.U., and Dell Isola, Ingraham, McMullin, and Drysdale for the home team.

Casey and Martin will probably fight it out with Techmen Dell Isola, Ingraham, Vitagliano, and Drysdale in the 300. A duel in the 600 is expected between the Huskies' Psyra and McCann and the Beavers' Vitagliano and Ingraham.

Distance Runners

Dominating the longer runs for Northeastern are standouts Kenyon and Billings. Holland, Henze, Simpson, Hunt, and Lobo is expected to give them a battle in the 1000 or one-mile run, while Knapp, Noss, Tweit, and Cleworth are the Cardinal and Grey entries in the two mile.

Bowdoin Defeats Sextet 8-5, With Last Period Spurt

A third period, five goal spurt by Bowdoin, last Monday night at the Arena, forced the Tech hockey team to its seventh league defeat by a score of 8-5. With only five victories and but two games left with Boston College and Northeastern, the sextet has been virtually eliminated from the championship playoffs in March.

Tech got off to an early 3-0 lead when Bill Morris, Don Lea and Gerry Walworth slapped in goals to start what looked like a Tech runaway.

During the second period the Polar Bears skated all around the Beaver sextet but through luck and the goal tending of Jack Adams failed to score. The only score of the period came when Bowdoin was a man short, Captain Ed Thompson netting after stickhandling solo through the defense.

In the final period Bowdoin began to score with three quick goals early in the session. Lea's nineteenth league goal, brought Tech back into the game, midway through the period but Bowdoin soon put the game on ice with two last minute goals as the game ended 8-5.

Varsity Baseball

All students interested in participating on the projected varsity baseball team this spring can sign up on the list outside the Athletic Association office, room 3-107.

Military Backdrop Highlights Formal

Decorations At Ball Include MS Armaments

Its activities interrupted by the war, the Technology unit of Scabbard and Blade is about to return to the social whirl by grace of a formal dance to be held on Friday evening, February 27. The plans visualize almost 400 couples dancing from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. to the strains of the Technicians. The dance is to be held in appropriately decorated Morss Hall.

Prior to the war the annual Scabbard and Blade Military Ball was considered one of the highlights of the social season at Technology. As there was no advanced MS organization in colleges during the war, the company was deactivated temporarily. However, with the recent reactivation of the advanced course at the Institute, Scabbard and Blade is again making its bid for its previous position.

The decorations for Morss Hall will include various armament and equipment from the MS Department.

At intermission time the recently initiated members will receive recognition of their membership in Scabbard and Blade.

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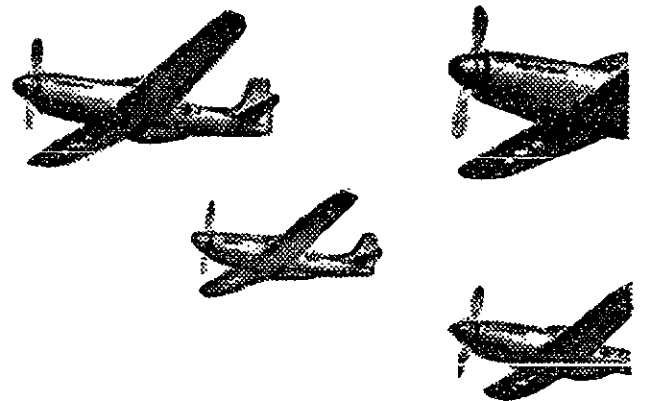
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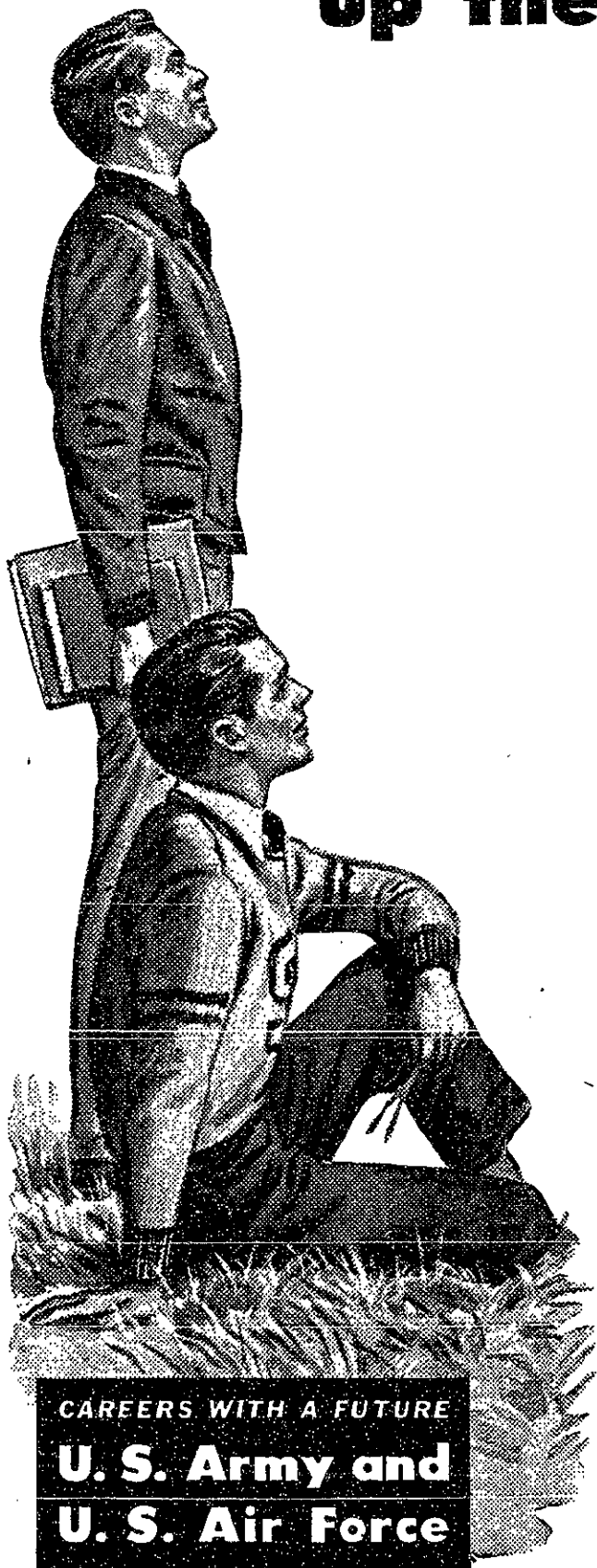
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